February 2015 Updates

Change(s) Made	Page(s)
Volume II, Section 2 – Implementation Guide	
Updated note to include new 180 day valid credit check rule.	II-1-107, 108
XML example of a SP response was updated to include new <CreditRequirementsMet> tag.	II-1-188
Updated triggers for when the new Credit Status System Generated Response will be sent.	II-1-193
Direct PLUS Loan Award Processing with Endorser table was updated to include the new 'CS' response.	II-1-198
PLUS Counseling completion status will be available on the COD Web site. A list of pages was included within the PLUS Counseling section.	II-1-204
Volume II, Section 3 – Common Record Layout	
Valid business rules were updated for First Name, Middle Initial, and Last Name to exclude numeric values.	II-3-15
Updated field numbers to include #188.	II-3-5, 54
Valid values added for field #176, <CreditActionStatus>.	II-3-53
Clarified that the <PLUSCounselingException> tag is reserved for future use only.	II-3-53
Updated <FinancialAwardBeginDate> valid date within the "Other COD Rules" column.	II-3-21
Updated <FinancialAwardEndDate> valid date within the "Other COD Rules" column.	II-3-21
Volume III, Section 1 – Combination System Implementation Guide	

Added new sub-section to Overview describing enhancements related to the new Credit Status Response (CRCS16OP) file, which replaces the Credit Decision Override (CRCO) file generated in prior cycles.	III-1-3
Updated Direct Loan sub-section of Enhancements and Changes to EDExpress for 2015-2016 to describe Release 2.0 enhancements related to the new Credit Status Response (CRCS16OP) and new PLUS/Grad PLUS credit-related fields and data edits.	III-1-10 to III-1-11, III-1-13
Updated bullet and "blue box" text in Direct Loan sub-section of Enhancements and Changes to EDExpress for 2015-2016 describing new Direct Loan end-of-entry edits 1110 and 1115. Specifically, we removed text regarding the conditions for the new edits that stipulated a loan record must have at least one anticipated or actual disbursement with a zero amount to adjust the Loan Period Start Date or Loan Period End Date to a date outside the 2015-2016 Award Year if the record has an Origination Status of **A** (Accepted by COD) or **B** (Batched to send to COD).	III-1-12
Updated Direct Loan sub-section of Enhancements and Changes to EDExpress for 2015-2016 to describe Release 2.0 modifications to existing Direct Loan end-of-entry edits 2000, 2001, and 3105. See description of changes to Volume III, section 4 below for more information.	III-1-12
Revised PLUS Credit Decision Status sub-section of Direct Loan MPN, PLUS Credit Decision, and Disclosure Statement section to describe use of new Credit Status Response (CRCS16OP) file and new Credit Requirements Met field for PLUS and Grad PLUS records.	III-1-22 to III-1-23
Volume III, Section 3 – Combination System Record Layouts	
Revised Field Name/Description text for the Incarcerated Federal Pell Recipient code (field #22) in the Pell Grant External Origination Add/Change Record layout to clarify that students incarcerated in local penal institutions are eligible to receive Pell Grant awards if otherwise eligible.	III-3-8
Updated the Direct Loan External Export (DEER16IN) table of fields to add the following new fields, which are only applicable to PLUS and Grad PLUS loan records: • Credit Action Status • Credit Requirements Met • Endorser Approved • PLUS Counseling Complete Date • PLUS Counseling Completed • PLUS Counseling Exception • PLUS Counseling Expiration Date • Reconsideration Eligible The COD System includes these fields in the new Credit Status Response (CRCS16OP) file.	III-3-84 to III-3-85, III-3-90 to III-3-91,
Corrected valid field content for Program Year in the Direct Loan External Export (DEER16IN) table of fields to be "1516."	III-3-91
Volume III, Section 4 – Combination System Edits	
Updated Condition text for Direct Loan end-of-entry edit 1050 to reference applicable values for Credit Decision and new Credit Requirements Met fields. Edit 1050, which applies to PLUS and Grad PLUS loans only, is generated to prevent the Loan Amount Approved from exceeding the Endorser Amount under certain circumstances.	III-4-10
Revised Condition text for Direct Loan end-of-entry edits 1110 and 1115 to remove edit conditions stipulating that a loan record must have at least one anticipated or actual disbursement with a zero amount to adjust the Loan Period Start Date or Loan Period End Date to a date outside the 2015-2016 Award Year if the record has an Origination Status of A (Accepted by COD) or B (Batched to send to COD).	III-4-15 and III-4-16

Update Condition and Message text for Direct Loan end-of-entry edit 3000 to reference applicable values for Credit Decision and the new Credit Requirements Met field. Edit 3000 is generated to prevent actual disbursements for PLUS and Grad PLUS loans unless the record has a Credit Decision or Credit Requirements Met value indicating approved credit status.	III-4-17
Updated Condition and Message text for Direct Loan end-of-entry edits 2000, 2001, and 3105 to indicate that disbursement dates cannot be more than 10 days prior to the Loan Period Start Date or more than 180 days after the Loan Period End Date if the associated disbursement's gross amount is greater than zero. Edits 2000 and 2001 check anticipated and actual disbursement dates and amounts against the Loan Period Start Date, while edit 3105 checks actual disbursement dates and amounts against the Loan Period End Date. In prior award years, these were warning-only edits in EDExpress.	III-4-17 and III-4-19
Volume VI, Section 6 – XML Examples	
All XML Examples were updated to reflect the new 4.0b schema.	VI-6-(2-53)
A new Direct PLUS Loan common record response XML example was added.	VI-6-33
A new Direct PLUS loan web origination and disbursement response XML example was added.	VI-6-46
Volume VII, Section 13 – CS Doc Type Example	
Updated Credit Status system generated response was provided.	VII-13-1